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1. Save the Date: The Neighborhood Conference in 2014

Next year's Neighborhood Conference will be held Saturday, March 8, 2014, at the Knoxville Convention Center. Please mark the date. Other announcements about the conference will be made in coming weeks and months.

2. No Newsletter Next Week; No Garbage Pickup on July 4

This newsletter will not be published on Friday, July 5. The next issue will be distributed on Friday, July 12. The deadline for news and calendar items is 9 a.m. that day.

The city's household garbage and recyclables collector, Waste Connections, will not operate on the Fourth of July. Pickup scheduled for Thursday will instead occur on Friday, and Friday's garbage and recycled materials will be collected on Saturday, July 6.

3. Oakwood Lincoln Park Plans Cleanup Event

The Oakwood Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association is sponsoring a cleanup event in the neighborhood this Saturday, June 29.

Neighbors and other volunteers should wear bright clothes, and bring sturdy gloves and water. Meet at 9 a.m. at the clubhouse at the corner of Henegar and Shamrock behind Christenberry Elementary School. Plastic bags will be provided for litter and recyclables. The group will target Harvey Street and Chickamauga Avenue.

Those who participate will be eligible for door prizes, including Kroger gift certificates. For more information, contact Emily Ellis at eellis424@gmail.com or 924-3882.

Meanwhile, Rev. John Gargis of Lincoln Park United Methodist Church, 3210 Pershing, is offering community garden space to area residents willing to weed, water and fertilize in order to share in the produce. Contact Gargis at 898-0160.

4. City Staff to Update Advisory Council on Programs to Fight Blight

Members of the City's Community Development, Public Service and Law Departments will speak at the Neighborhood Advisory Council next month to provide updates on the city's efforts to address abandoned, blighted and vacant properties, particularly in residential neighborhoods.

The meeting begins at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 10, in the community room of the Cansler Family YMCA, located at 616 Jessamine Street at East Fifth Avenue.

Appointed by the Mayor, NAC consists of 15 neighborhood and community leaders who provide advice and feedback to the Administration on issues affecting Knoxville's residential neighborhoods. See <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/development/neighborhoods/advisory.asp> for more information on NAC.

5. MPC Offers Ways to Stay Informed of Agenda Items

The preliminary agenda for the July 11 meeting of the Metropolitan Planning Commission is now available on the MPC web site at <http://agenda.knoxmpc.org>.

Neighborhood groups are encouraged to check the preliminary and final agendas each month to find out if there is an agenda item --- such as requests for rezoning or use on review --- that might impact the neighborhood.

Anyone with email access can sign up to receive email notifications on a variety of MPC matters that may impact your neighborhood. Just browse to <http://www.knoxmpc.org/> and look for the "Keep up with MPC" article at the bottom of the page.

Meanwhile, MPC and KGIS have rolled out a new beta version of the "MPC Case Mapping Viewer" at <http://www.kgis.org/mpccases/>. MPC staff is asking everyone to "test drive" this application and report any bugs to MPC staff at 215-2500. You can review the Knox County map and quickly determine if the upcoming MPC agenda includes an item in or near your neighborhood. By single-clicking on an item, and then on the file number, you can see details of the MPC staff report.

6. MPC Seeks Ideas on Future of Central and East City Sectors

Work is underway to revise the Central City and East City sector plans that are the basis for MPC's zoning and land use decisions each month.

Because of the importance of these plans, input from residents, business owners, and workers in the sector is essential.

MPC planners have been working on updates for both sector plans for a few months and have already attended several neighborhood meetings to gather ideas for the plans. Now MPC is in the process of holding sector-wide meetings.

For the East Sector, one sector-wide meeting has already been held, and a final one is scheduled for 6 p.m. Thursday, July 11, at Washington Pike United Methodist Church, 2241 Washington Pike.

For the Central Sector:

*** 6 p.m. Tuesday, July 9, Cansler YMCA, 616 Jessamine Street

*** 6 p.m. Tuesday, July 16, Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, 1933 Texas Avenue

To learn more about each plan --- and take the online survey --- use these resources:

Central City Sector Plan

<http://www.knoxmpc.org/centralcity2013/index.htm>

Mike Reynolds, 215-3827, mike.reynolds@knoxmpc.org

East City Sector Plan

<http://www.knoxmpc.org/eastcity2013/index.htm>

Jeff Archer, 215-2500 or jeff.archer@knoxmpc.org

Based on public input, MPC staff will draft 15-Year plans that includes goals and proposals to guide East City and Central City growth. A five-year improvement program will also be prepared, outlining projects to improve roads, parks, schools, and other facilities. The draft plan will be available for public review later this year and will be presented both online and in a series of community meetings.

Eventually, the revised plans must be adopted by MPC and City Council.

7. National Night Out Set for Tuesday, October 1, in Knoxville

This is your friendly reminder that the Knoxville Police Department last year moved “National Night Out” from the first Tuesday of August to the first Tuesday of October, and that will be the case again this year and for the foreseeable future.

National Night Out --- a nationwide effort promoted by National Association of Town Watch (www.natw.org) --- traditionally is observed in August, but due to the recent history of getting rained out by summer thunderstorms, KPD elected to change the date in Knoxville to the alternate first Tuesday of October. This year, that will be October 1.

Once again this year, neighborhood groups will host potluck suppers, picnics, and other events to celebrate the strength of community and send a message to would-be thieves and con artists that neighbors are watching out for them and for one another.

Look for more details in this newsletter toward the end of summer.

8. Neighborhood and Government Calendar

Include your neighborhood-related event or meeting in this space. Call 215-3232.

All government meetings will be held in either the Large or Small Assembly Room unless otherwise noted. For a complete list of meetings of various city boards and commissions, visit <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/calendar/>.

If you are a person with a disability who requires an accommodation in order to attend a public meeting, please contact Stephanie Brewer Cook at 215-2034 or scook@cityofknoxville.org no less than 48 hours prior to the meeting you wish to attend.

Saturday, June 29 --- 9 a.m.-11 a.m.

“Coffee with the Councilman”

(Last Saturday of Each Quarter)

Vice Mayor and First District City Council Member Nick Pavlis

Bring your concerns or stop by to chat; open to all city residents.

Roundup Restaurant, 3643 Sevierville Pike

Nick Pavlis, 454-7216

Monday, July 1 --- 5:30 p.m.

Council of Involved Neighborhoods (COIN)

(First Mondays except holidays)

CAC/L.T. Ross Building, 2247 Western Avenue

Dave Gartner, 862-2066

Tuesday, July 2 --- 4:30 p.m.

Dandridge Avenue Neighborhood Watch (First Tuesdays)

Beck Cultural Exchange Center, 1927 Dandridge Avenue

Lawrence Washington, 524-4498

Tuesday, July 2 --- 6 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Norwood Neighborhood Watch – 6 p.m.

Norwood Homeowners Association – 7 p.m.

New Hope Presbyterian Church, 1705 Merchants Road

Lynn Redmon, 688-3136 or 771-6428

Tuesday, July 2 --- 6:30 p.m.

Parkridge Community Organization (First Tuesdays)

Cansler YMCA, 616 Jessamine St.

Jerry Caldwell, 329-9943

Tuesday, July 2 --- 7 p.m.

Mechanicsville Community Association (First Tuesdays)

Fairview Recreation Center, 1628 Dora Street

Charles Wright, 637-1802

Monday, July 8 --- 5 p.m.

Knox County School Board – Work Session

(Monday before the regular meeting, except holidays or holiday weeks)

First Floor Board Room, Andrew Johnson Building, 912 South Gay St.

For agenda, work sessions, and other items:

Visit <http://knoxschools.org/>. Click on “Board of Education.”

Monday, July 8 --- 3 p.m.

Northgate Resident Association (Second Mondays)

Social Hall, 4301 Whittle Springs Road

David Wildsmith, 219-0417

Monday, July 8 --- 5 p.m.-6 p.m.

Michael Meadowview Neighborhood Watch (Second Mondays)
CAC East Neighborhood Center, 4200 Asheville Hwy.
Marian Bailey, 525-5625

Monday, July 8 --- 6 p.m.

Cold Springs Neighborhood Watch (Second Mondays)
Magnolia Avenue Methodist Church, 2700 Magnolia (Harrison St. Entrance)
Terrell Patrick, 525-4833

Monday, July 8 --- 6 p.m.

Lyons View Community Club (Second Mondays)
Lyons View Community Center, 114 Sprinkle Avenue
Mary Brewster, 454-2390

Monday, July 8 --- 6 p.m.

Vestal Community Organization (Second Mondays)
South Knoxville Community Center
Newman Seay, 577-4593

Monday, July 8 --- 6:30 p.m.

Old North Knoxville (Second Mondays)
St. James Episcopal, Parish Hall, 1101 N. Broadway
Lauren Rider, 964-3905

Monday, July 8 --- 6:30 p.m.

Community Potluck
Historic Fourth & Gill Neighborhood Organization (Second Mondays)
Fourth and Gill Park
Judith Neff, 567-7980

Monday, July 8 --- 7 p.m.

Belle Morris Community Action Group (Second Mondays)
City View Baptist Church, 2311 Fine Avenue
www.bellemorris.com
Rick Wilen, 524-5008

Tuesday, July 9 --- 11:45 a.m.

Agenda Review, Metropolitan Planning Commission
(Tuesday before MPC's monthly meeting)
Small Assembly Room, City County Building

Tuesday, July 9 --- 6 p.m.

Public Meeting
Central City Sector Plan Update
Metropolitan Planning Commission (MPC)
Cansler YMCA, 616 Jessamine Street at East Fifth Avenue
Mike Reynolds, MPC, 215-3827, mike.reynolds@knoxmpc.org
<http://www.knoxmpc.org/centralcity2013/index.htm>

Tuesday, July 9 --- 6 p.m.

Brown Avenue Neighborhood Watch (Second Tuesdays)
Hoitt Avenue Baptist Church, 2121 Hoitt Avenue

Jimmy Ramsey, 637-0243

Tuesday, July 9 --- 6:30 p.m.

Lonsdale United for Change (Second Tuesdays)
Lonsdale Recreation Center, Stonewall Avenue
Steve Ritter, 973-0877

Tuesday, July 9 --- 7 p.m.

Mechanicsville Neighborhood Watch Association (Second Tuesdays)
Clinton Chapel AME Zion Church, College Street
R. Bentley Marlow, 607-4357

Tuesday, July 9 --- 7 p.m.

City Council (Every Other Tuesday)

<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil>

Agenda: <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil/agenda.pdf>

Wednesday, July 10 --- 11:30 a.m.

Community Forum (Second Wednesdays)
West Knoxville Library, 100 Golf Club Road at Kingston Pike
Sue Mauer, 690-0269

Wednesday, July 10 --- 1 p.m.

100 Block Association (Second Wednesdays)
Dewhirst Properties, 123 S. Gay Street
Jody Freeman, 525-1554

Wednesday, July 10 --- 4:30 p.m.

Neighborhood Advisory Council
(Every Second Wednesday, except December)
Cansler Family YMCA, 616 Jessamine Street
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/neighborhoods>
David Massey, 215-3232

Wednesday, July 10 --- 5 p.m.

Knox County Board of Education (First Wednesdays, except holiday weeks)
Large Assembly Room, City County Building
For agenda, work sessions, and other items:
Visit <http://knoxschools.org/>. Click on "Board of Education"

Thursday, July 11 --- 1:30 p.m.

Metropolitan Planning Commission (Second Thursdays)
<http://www.knoxmpc.org>
Agenda: <http://agenda.knoxmpc.org>

Thursday, July 11 --- 2 p.m.

Western Heights Resident Association (Second Thursdays)
Building to the right of the mail boxes when you enter Western Heights
Jamesena Nolan, 237-5558

Thursday, July 11 --- 6 p.m.

Lonsdale Homes Resident Association (Second Thursdays)
Community Building, 1956 Goins Drive
Phyllis Patrick, 323-7224

Thursday, July 11 --- 4 p.m.

Montgomery Village Resident Association (First Thursdays except holidays)
Montgomery Village Ministry 1124 Cook Dr.
Tonja Warren, 577-5555

Thursday, July 11 --- 6 p.m.

Public Meeting
East City Sector Plan Update
Metropolitan Planning Commission (MPC)
Washington Pike United Methodist Church, 2241 Washington Pike
Jeff Archer, 215-3821, jeff.archer@knoxmpc.org
<http://www.knoxmpc.org/eastcity2013/index.htm>

Friday, July 12 --- 6 p.m.

Beaumont Community Organization (Second Fridays)
Beaumont Elementary School, 1211 Beaumont Ave.
Dennis Murphy, 237-9481

Monday, July 15 --- 9 a.m.

Dr. Lee L. Williams Tenant Association (Third Mondays)
Recreation Center, 317 McConnell Street
James Grant Chandler, 200-8697

Monday, July 15 --- 7 p.m.

Historic Fourth & Gill Neighborhood Organization
Board Meeting (Third Mondays except January)
Contact Judith Neff for Location
Judith Neff, merlin2@comcast.net, 567-7980

Tuesday, July 16 --- 10 a.m.

Knoxville-Knox County Food Policy Council (Third Tuesdays)
CAC/MLB Building, 2247 Western Avenue
(See <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/food.asp> for bylaws, community garden toolkit etc.)

Tuesday, July 16 --- 6 p.m.

Delrose Drive Neighborhood Watch (Third Tuesdays)
Riverview Baptist Church, 3618 Delrose Drive
Corina and John Buffalow, 523-0102

Tuesday, July 16 --- 6 p.m.

Public Meeting
Central City Sector Plan Update
Metropolitan Planning Commission (MPC)
Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, 1933 Texas Avenue
Mike Reynolds, MPC, 215-3827, mike.reynolds@knoxmpc.org
<http://www.knoxmpc.org/centralcity2013/index.htm>

Tuesday, July 16 --- 7 p.m.

Edgewood Park Neighborhood Association (Third Tuesdays except December)
Larry Cox Senior Center, 3109 Ocoee Trail

Thursday, July 18 --- Breakfast @ 7:45 a.m. Meeting @ 8 a.m.

East Knoxville Business & Professional Association (Third Thursdays)

Open to Neighborhood Residents and Leaders
Locations vary
Charles Morgan, cwm826@aol.com, Gray Hodges Corporation, 522-3113
www.EastKnox.org

Thursday, July 18 --- 8:30 a.m.
Historic Zoning Commission (Third Thursdays)
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/historic.asp>

Thursday, July 18 --- 4 p.m.
City Board of Zoning Appeals (Third Thursdays)
Small Assembly Room
Pre-Agenda Meeting: 3 p.m. in Room 511
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/zoning.asp>

Thursday, July 18 --- 6:30 p.m.
Oakwood Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association
Monthly Meeting (Third Thursdays)
Community Club House, 916 Shamrock Avenue at Henegar Street

Saturday, July 20 --- 10 a.m.
South Haven Neighborhood Association (Third Saturdays)
Hillcrest United Methodist Church, 1615 Price Avenue
Pat Harmon, 591-3958

Monday, July 22 --- 1:45 p.m. (zoning at 5 p.m.)
Knox County Commission
(Fourth Mondays, Jan.-Oct. Third Mondays, Nov.-Dec.)
www.knoxcounty.org/commission
Agenda: Click on "Commission Agendas"
Public Forum held at beginning & ending of meeting.
Zoning Issues heard starting at 5 p.m.

Monday, July 22 --- 7 p.m.-8:30 p.m.
South Woodlawn Neighborhood Association
Bi-Monthly Meeting (Fourth Mondays, odd months, except holidays)
This month's program: Annual Seed and Plant Swap and Kasey Krouse, City Arborist
Woodlawn Christian Church, 4339 Woodlawn Pike
Janice Tocher, 686-6789

Tuesday, July 23 – 6 p.m.
Inskip Community Association (Asociación de la Comunidad de Inskip)
Community Meeting (Fourth Tuesdays)
Inskip Baptist Church, 4810 Rowan Road
Betty Jo Mahan, 679-2748, bettymah@knology.net

Tuesday, July 23 --- 7 p.m.
City Council (Every Other Tuesday)
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil>
Agenda: <http://www.cityofknoxville.org/citycouncil/agenda.pdf>

Thursday, July 25 --- 9 a.m.
Special Events Community Meeting (Fourth Thursdays, Jan.-Oct.)
"Meet with city services that may assist in planning your event."

Civic Coliseum Ballroom, Third Floor
Free Parking available at Civic Coliseum Parking Garage
Office of Special Events, 215-4248

Thursday, July 25 --- 3:30 p.m.

Better Building Board
(Last Thursday, Jan.-Oct. First Thursday, Dec.)
Small Assembly Room, City-County Building
<http://www.cityofknoxville.org/boards/betterbuilding.asp>

Thursday, July 25 --- 7 p.m.

Old Sevier Community Group
(Fourth Thursdays, February through October)
Stanley's Greenhouse, 3029 Davenport Road
Gary Deitsch, garyedeitsch@bellsouth.net

Friday, July 26 --- 9:30 a.m.

Public Officer Hearing – Neighborhood Codes Enforcement
(Usually held on the Friday following Better Building Board meetings)
The PO considers action on violations of city's building codes.
Small Assembly Room, City County Building

Monday, July 29 --- 5:30 p.m.

Pembroke Condominium Association (Last Mondays except May and December)
Lobby of Pembroke, 508 Union Avenue
Jessie Brown, 525-6500

Tuesday, July 30 --- 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Anti-Bullying Summit (registration begins at 8 a.m.)
Knoxville Police Department, Safety Education Unit
Open to teachers, school administrators, social workers, law enforcement.
Knoxville Expo Center, 5441 Clinton Highway
Free. Online Registration: <http://kpdantibullying.eventbrite.com>
Brenda Hicks, 215-1522

Tuesday, July 30 --- 6:30 p.m.

Chilhowee Park Neighborhood Association (Last Tuesdays)
Tiger Top at the Zoo, 3500 Knoxville Zoo Drive
Paul Ruff, 696-6584

Thursday, August 1 --- 5:30 p.m.

City Council Workshop
Topic: Proposed New Zone: Corridor Overlay District
Large Assembly Room, City County Building

Monday, August 5 --- 6:30 p.m.

Wesley Neighbors Community Association
(First Mondays, even-numbered months)
Bearden Branch Library, 100 Golf Club Road
Donnie Ernst, 207-9355

Thursday, August 15 --- 12 p.m.

KUB Board of Commissioners (Third Thursdays, except July)
Historic Miller's Building, 445 S. Gay Street

See www.kub.org. Click on "About Us" at top of the page.

Monday, August 19 --- 7 p.m.

Alice Bell Spring Hill Neighborhood Association
(Third Mondays except June, July, December)
New Harvest Park, just east of Target on Washington Pike.
All are welcome to attend.
Ronnie Collins, 637-9630

Monday, September 9 --- 5:30 p.m.

Downtown Residents Quarterly Meeting
Central Business Improvement District
Knoxville Chamber offices, 17 Market Square
(Future meetings in 2013: 12/9)
<http://downtownknoxville.org/>
Michele Hummel, 246-2654

Tuesday, October 1 --- Times Vary
National Night Out

- ** This Advisory is produced on most Fridays of the year.
- ** Ideas and contributions are welcome. Call 215-3232.
- ** May be copied and forwarded via neighborhood e-mail lists and newsletters.
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